

DENMARK



GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

Queen Margrethe II

Head of Government

Prime Minister Lars LOKKE RASMUSSEN

Government Type

parliamentary constitutional monarchy

Capital

Copenhagen

Legislature

unicameral People's Assembly or Folketing (179 seats)

Judiciary

Supreme Court (consists of the court president and 18 judges)

Ambassador to US

Ambassador Lars Gert LOSE

US Ambassador

Ambassador Carla SANDS

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 43,094 sq km

Land: 42,434 sq km

Water: 660 sq km

Climate

temperate; humid and overcast; mild, windy winters and cool summers

Natural Resources

petroleum, natural gas, fish, arable land, salt, limestone, chalk, stone, gravel and sand

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

5.6 million (July 2017 est.)

Population Growth

0.22% (2017 est.)

Ethnicity

Danish (includes Greenlandic (who are predominantly Inuit) and Faroese) 86.7%, Turkish 1.1%, other 12.2% (largest groups are Polish, Syrian, German, Iraqi, and Romanian)

note: data represent population by ancestry (2017 est.)

Language

Danish, Faroese, Greenlandic (an Inuit dialect), German (small minority)

note: English is the predominant second language

Religion

Evangelical Lutheran (official) 76%, Muslim 4%, other (denominations of less than 1% each, includes Roman Catholic, Jehovah's Witness, Serbian Orthodox Christian, Jewish, Baptist, and Buddhist) 20% (2017 est.)

Urbanization

urban population: 87.9% of total

population (2018)

rate of urbanization: 0.51% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

this thoroughly modern market economy features advanced industry with world-leading firms in pharmaceuticals, maritime shipping, and renewable energy, a high-tech agricultural sector, a high standard of living, extensive government welfare measures, and an equitable distribution of income

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$285.5 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$49,600 (2017 est.)

Exports

\$113.2 billion (2017 est.)

partners: Germany 15.5%, Sweden 11.6%, UK 8.2%, US 7.5%, Norway 6%, China 4.4%, Netherlands 4.4% (2017)

Imports

\$94.61 billion (2017 est.)

partners: Germany 21.3%, Sweden 11.9%, Netherlands 7.8%, China 7.1%, Norway 6.3%, Poland 4% (2017)

